

HOUSE BILL No. 1132

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 2-5.

Synopsis: Juvenile justice evaluation commission. Establishes the juvenile justice evaluation commission to: (1) evaluate the juvenile justice laws of Indiana; and (2) make recommendations to the general assembly for modification of the juvenile justice laws, if the commission determines that changes are necessary or appropriate.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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January 8, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.



First Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2015)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2014 Regular Session and 2014 Second Regular Technical Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 2-5-1.2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.53-2014,
2 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) or
4 otherwise in this article, this chapter applies to all committees
5 established under this article.
6 (b) This chapter does not apply to the following:
7 (1) The legislative council (IC 2-5-1.1).
8 (2) The youth advisory council (IC 2-5-29).
9 (3) The commission on improving the status of children in
10 Indiana (IC 2-5-36).
11 (4) **The juvenile justice evaluation commission (IC 2-5-37).**
12 SECTION 2. IC 2-5-37 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
13 A **NEW CHAPTER** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
14 1, 2015]:
15 **Chapter 37. Juvenile Justice Evaluation Commission**



1 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the
 2 juvenile justice evaluation commission established by section 2 of
 3 this chapter.

4 **Sec. 2.** The juvenile justice evaluation commission is established.

5 **Sec. 3.** The commission consists of twenty-two (22) members
 6 appointed as follows:

7 (1) Two (2) members of the senate appointed by the president
 8 pro tempore of the senate.

9 (2) Two (2) members of the senate appointed by the minority
 10 leader of the senate.

11 (3) Two (2) members of the house of representatives
 12 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

13 (4) Two (2) members of the house of representatives
 14 appointed by the minority leader of the house of
 15 representatives.

16 (5) The commissioner of the department of correction or the
 17 commissioner's designee.

18 (6) The director of the department of child services or the
 19 director's designee.

20 (7) The chief justice of the supreme court or the chief justice's
 21 designee.

22 (8) The director of the Indiana criminal justice institute or the
 23 director's designee.

24 (9) The executive director of the prosecuting attorneys council
 25 or the executive director's designee.

26 (10) The executive director of the public defenders council or
 27 the executive director's designee.

28 (11) One (1) retired judge who exercised juvenile jurisdiction
 29 appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court.

30 (12) One (1) judge, appointed by the chief justice of the
 31 supreme court, who exercises juvenile jurisdiction in a county
 32 that is a juvenile detention alternatives initiative site.

33 (13) All the following appointed by the governor:

34 (A) Three (3) representatives from nonprofit entities that
 35 work with juveniles.

36 (B) One (1) juvenile probation officer.

37 (C) One (1) representative from the Indiana Association of
 38 School Principals.

39 (D) One (1) teacher who provides instruction under an
 40 alternative education program (as defined in IC 20-30-8-1).

41 **Sec. 4.** The chairman of the legislative council shall appoint a
 42 legislative member of the commission to serve as chair of the



commission.

Sec. 5. (a) The term of a member is two (2) years.

(b) If a legislative member of the commission ceases to be a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed, the person ceases to be a member of the commission.

(c) If a vacancy occurs on the commission, the appointing authority who appointed the member whose position is vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.

(d) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy must have the qualifications that a member appointed by the appointing authority must have.

Sec. 6. (a) The commission shall evaluate the juvenile justice laws of Indiana. If, based on the commission's evaluation, the commission determines that changes are necessary or appropriate, the commission shall make recommendations to the general assembly for modification of the juvenile justice laws.

(b) The commission may study other topics assigned by the legislative council or as directed by the commission chair.

Sec. 7. The commission shall submit a final report of the results of its study to the legislative council before November 1, 2016. The report must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

Sec. 8. (a) The Indiana criminal justice institute shall provide staff support to the commission to prepare:

- (1) minutes of each meeting; and
- (2) the final report.

(b) The legislative services agency shall provide staff support to the commission to:

- (1) advise the commission on legal matters, criminal law and juvenile law procedures, and legal research; and
- (2) draft potential legislation.

Sec. 9. Each member of the commission is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative and lay members, respectively, of interim study committees established by the legislative council.

Sec. 10. The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members appointed to the commission are required for the commission to take action on any measure, including the final report.

Sec. 11. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, the commission shall operate under the rules of the legislative council. All funds necessary to carry out this chapter shall be paid from the appropriations to the legislative council and



- 1 the legislative services agency.
- 2 **Sec. 12. This chapter expires December 31, 2016.**

